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14 **IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT**  
15 **FOR THE DISTRICT OF ARIZONA**

16 IN RE: Bard IVC Filters Products Liability MDL NO. 15-02641-PHX-DGC  
17 Litigation

18 **DEFENDANTS C. R. BARD, INC.'S**  
19 **AND BARD PERIPHERAL**  
20 **VASCULAR, INC.'S ANSWER AND**  
21 **GENERAL DENIAL IN RESPONSE**  
22 **TO PLAINTIFF'S AMENDED**  
23 **SECOND AMENDED COMPLAINT IN**  
24 **CASE NO. CV-16-03567-PHX-DGC;**  
25 **JURY TRIAL DEMAND**

26 Defendants C. R. Bard, Inc. ("Bard") and Bard Peripheral Vascular, Inc. ("BPV")  
27 (Bard and BPV are collectively "Defendants") hereby file this Answer and General Denial in  
28 response to the Amended Second Amended Complaint served on Defendants in *Alexandra*  
*Rourke v. C. R. Bard, Inc., et al.*, AZ Member Case No. CV-16-03567-PHX-DGC ("Answer  
and General Denial"). Defendants further reserve the right to file any motion to dismiss for

1 failure to state a claim with respect to this case, as set forth in Amended Case Management  
 2 Order No. 4.

3 With respect to the allegations plaintiff(s) raise in *Alexandra Rourke v. C. R. Bard, Inc., et al.*, AZ Member Case No. CV-16-03567-PHX-DGC, Defendants deny, generally and  
 4 specifically, each and every allegation in plaintiff(s)' Complaint, the whole thereof, and each  
 5 and every cause of action therein. Defendants further deny that the plaintiff(s) has sustained,  
 6 or is entitled to recover, damages in any amount alleged or in any sum whatsoever.  
 7 Defendants further deny that they are liable to the plaintiff in any amount, and further deny  
 8 that the plaintiff has sustained injury, damage, or loss by reason of any act or omission by  
 9 Defendants.

10 As for additional defenses, and without assuming any burden of pleading or proof that  
 11 would otherwise rest on plaintiff(s), Defendants incorporate by reference the responses and  
 12 Affirmative Defenses set forth in Defendants' Answer to Plaintiffs' Master Complaint filed in  
 13 MDL 2641 on December 17, 2015 (Doc. 366). Defendants further reserve the right to raise  
 14 such other affirmative defenses as may be available or apparent during discovery or as may  
 15 be raised or asserted by other defendants in this case. Defendants have not knowingly or  
 16 intentionally waived any applicable affirmative defense. If it appears that any affirmative  
 17 defense is or may be applicable after Defendants have had the opportunity to conduct  
 18 reasonable discovery in this matter, Defendants will assert such affirmative defense in  
 19 accordance with the Federal Rules of Civil Procedure.

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**REQUEST FOR JURY TRIAL**

21 Defendants C. R. Bard, Inc. and Bard Peripheral Vascular, Inc. demand a trial by jury  
 22 on all issues appropriate for jury determination.

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24 **WHEREFORE**, Defendants aver that the plaintiff(s) is/are not entitled to the relief  
 25 demanded in the plaintiff(s)' Complaint, and these Defendants, having fully answered, pray  
 26 that this action against them be dismissed and that they be awarded their costs in defending  
 27 this action and that they be granted such other and further relief as the Court deems just and  
 28 appropriate.

This 28th day of November, 2016.

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**CERTIFICATE OF SERVICE**

I HEREBY CERTIFY that on November 28, 2016, I electronically filed the foregoing with the Clerk of the Court by using the CM/ECF system which will send notification of such filing to all counsel of record.

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